

SLEEP DISTURBED BY STREET PIANOS

Tenement House People Up in Arms Against Them.

AFFECT BABIES AND INVALIDS

Expected Formal Complaint Will Be Made to District Commissioners, with View of Putting End to Nuisance—Noises Kept Up Until as Late as 9 o'clock in the Evening.

Those persons who are fortunate or unfortunate enough to live in apartment houses in Washington are up in arms, many of them, against the men who grind alleged music out of street pianos. The law of the District permits these grinders of street music to stock musical cars as late as 9 o'clock at night.

Children, it is set forth, are awakened from their slumbers and invalids tossed uneasily on their beds while the street piano gives forth its tearing strains of distorted music.

Complaints lay particular stress on Maj. Sylvester's "noiseless town" edict and his efforts in the past to silence the horn and bass drum of the Salvation Army. They wonder why some effort is not made to stop the miserable noise and bang of the hurdy-gurdy—the street piano.

A Choice Position.

In the vicinity of Fifteenth and L streets northwest, where three apartment houses are located on as many corners, the street piano serenades have long been regarded as nuisances of the most aggravated sort.

In all probability, the tenants of these apartments will lay their grievances before the Commissioners, with a view of having the nuisance abated.

The hurdy-gurdy of the 1909 model is an imposing structure—a double or triple decker, so to speak, which is awe-inspiring and ear-piercing. It is the most formidable product ever sent out from the musical factories. By the same token it has outstripped all of its predecessors in accumulating the coin and making its owner prosperous.

Orchestral effects are now reproduced with all the deadly mechanical accuracy of an automaton. Not content with the simple tunes and melodies of other days, the modern street piano is equipped to play symphonies, operas and popular songs. When the operator turns his crank he sets drums and cymbals in fruitless activity, not to speak of neat little clarinet effects, and flute-like trillings.

The ambitious hurdy-gurdy manufacturer may, in the not far distant future, decide to emulate the brass band, and put forth a magnificent product which will complete the triumph of "canned music."

Supply Is Increased.

The situation has been made worse because there are more hurdy-gurdies working in the city this summer than for several years. Consequently, competition is rather keen between the operators, and the profits have gone to those with the most imposing machines. Hence the tendency to work late at night.

In apartment houses the prejudice against the street pianos has been developed, largely, because they are working later and later at night. In the daytime they are often welcomed, or at least accepted without protest, but when the hurdy-gurdy breaks in upon the sleep of residents, when it disturbs the peace of the night, and becomes in reality a "public nuisance," it is considered time to call a halt.

There is no recourse for those apartments where sickness prevails, or even for hospitals. Cases of this type have come up recently, and emphasized the expanding activities of the hurdy-gurdy owners. Other large cities such as Buffalo designate 7 o'clock as the final hour, for hand organs, and enforce the law strictly.

BUTTE HAS CRIME WAVE.

Masked Men Hold Up Road House and Slay the Proprietor.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 14.—The annual run of high crime always following the race meeting in Butte has been on for a week, resulting in several murders and many robberies.

Last night three masked men held up a crowd at a roadside nine miles south of Butte and shot and killed Max Berger, the proprietor.

The robbers came to town, called at one of the newspaper offices and demanded a paper with the story of the crime, but as the paper had not yet been issued they left without it, running east on Broadway, in the heart of the city, past the police station, and made their escape.

NOYES CAR IN WRECK.

Collides with Automobile Driven by Pennsylvania Banker.

Cape May, N. J., Aug. 14.—About 2:30 o'clock this afternoon a collision occurred at the corner of Lafayette and Franklin streets, when an automobile driven by President J. Frank Black, of the Chester (Pa.) National Bank, struck the car of Mrs. Crosby S. Noyes, of Washington.

Mr. Black, who was about to turn into Lafayette street, attempted to avoid the car of Mrs. Noyes, which he could not see, and in the effort he struck the side of the Noyes car.

No one was hurt. The chauffeur was the only one in the Noyes car.

VELEZ RECALL RUMORED.

American Representatives in Cuba Do Not Confirm Story.

Havana, Aug. 14.—A report was in circulation here to-day that Frederick M. Dearing, the American charge d'affaires, had presented a demand to the Cuban state department for the recall of Carlos Garcia Velez, the new Cuban Minister to the United States.

It was also stated that Mr. Dearing later called on the private secretary to President Gomez. The presidential secretary left this evening for Gen. Gomez's summer residence at Cayo Cristo.

Secretary of State Veloz, a brother of the minister, denies the report, declaring that he has not seen Mr. Dearing in two days. He adds that his brother is persona grataissima at Beverly.

Mr. Dearing could not be found this evening, and it is not known what conclusion, if any, there is for the report.

Onion Growers Combine.

Laredo, Tex., Aug. 14.—The Bermuda onion growers of the Laredo district have formed an organization to control the onion market of the United States. Their onion crop this season sold for \$300.00. They claim that lack of organization caused a depression of prices on the part of New York and other Eastern buyers.

OLD SWEETHEART HIS NURSE.

Hospital Romance Ends in Wedding at Grafton.

Strasburg, Va., Aug. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hite, of Grafton, W. Va., are spending their honeymoon with his relatives here. Connected with the marriage is an interesting bit of romance. About six years ago the couple met, and friendship grew into love, but this faded away after the removal of the young woman, then Miss Pearl Jones, from Grafton to Elkton, W. Va. She married Joe Orel, a prominent man of Elkton, but he died after a short wedded life.

Some time afterward Mr. Hite was attacked by a fever and was taken to the hospital. By chance his old sweetheart became his nurse, she having taken that vocation after the death of her husband. The old love revived, and when Mr. Hite left the hospital last week there was a wedding.

Mr. Hite is the son of D. A. Hite, a member of the corporation council of Strasburg, and is connected with the Fairmont and Grafton Gas Company.

RELIEF FUNDS DISTRIBUTED

Lick Branch Sufferers Get Over \$18,000.

Checks Sent Out Constitute First Payment to Those Left Homeless by Mine Explosion.

Bluefield, W. Va., Aug. 14.—The officers of the Lick Branch mine relief committee at a meeting at the Flat Top National Bank, authorized the distribution of \$18,450 as a first payment to those dependent upon the victims of the two mine explosions at Lick Branch. H. C. Jordan, assistant secretary to the committee, will send the checks out at once.

The committee still has a balance in its hands which is being held in case others deserving of the support may be found.

In the beginning the committee sent out blank applications to the relatives of the victims in various parts of the country and in Europe. In all, nearly 300 were filled out, according to the requirements, and returned. In some of these an attempt to defraud was believed, and they were passed up without consideration. So much is allowed the widow, and other members depending upon the victim's support.

In one instance in which a sixteen-year-old boy was killed, the certificate returned stated that he had been sending his family down in Virginia \$10 a month for the last five years, which the committee thought hardly probable, since he was not likely the boy started to work at the age of eleven.

Another from George, Va., in the case of a young man of twenty who was killed, stated that he was supporting a family of six persons, including an able-bodied father and other healthy members. Every precaution has been taken to discriminate in the matter and pay the money only to those deserving.

Only one application has been returned from Europe, and this was from the survivors of an Italian killed.

Among the applicants were two negro girls, twins, in Franklin County, Va., whose first names were Kate and Delicate. They formerly resided in Bluefield, and it is said that Dr. Johnson, who officiated at their birth, is responsible for the names.

CHILD FALLS TO ITS DEATH.

Climbs Into Window and Tumbles Twenty Feet to Ground.

Special to The Washington Herald. Charlottesville, Va., Aug. 14.—Mary, the nineteen-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Barnes, who occupy a suite of rooms in the Law Building, in Fifth street, fell from a window in the third story last evening, and was fatally injured, death resulting in less than an hour after the accident. While the father and mother were engaged in household duties, the child clambered up to a window and fell through to the ground below, a distance of over twenty feet.

POSTAL CLERK ARRESTED.

Charged with Carrying Whisky in Mail Car.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 14.—C. C. Plunkett, railway postal clerk, running between Charlotte and Richmond, Va., was arrested here last night by a post-office inspector and a deputy marshal, charged with transporting whisky in the mail car and selling liquor. Preliminary hearing was set for August 27 before United States Commissioner J. W. Cobb.

PLAN BIG FRUIT EXHIBIT.

Virginia Will Show Product at Horticultural Meeting.

Special to The Washington Herald. Winchester, Va., Aug. 14.—The fruit exhibit at the meeting of the Virginia Horticultural Society, which occurs in Winchester the coming winter, is to be one of its big features. This was determined upon at to-day's meeting of the Frederick County Fruit Growers' Association. The prizes to be awarded will insure a fine exhibit, and the prospects for the meeting are most promising.

Winchester will make its preparations for entertaining the fruit growers, who will come from all over the country, drawn here by the increasing importance of the fruit industry in the Valley.

Dies After Singing Sacred Song.

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 14.—Just as she sang the last notes of a song in a rescue mission meeting here last night, Mrs. Marquette Smith, of Philadelphia, a rescue worker, was seized with heart failure and died in a few minutes. The body was shipped to-day to Philadelphia.

Schooner's Captain Is Shot.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 14.—Capt. Jones Townsend, of the coasting schooner Josephine, one of the best known coasting masters on the Southern Atlantic seaboard, was fatally shot to-day in an altercation with Paul Arelano, an Italian deck hand. Arelano got away, but was later arrested and identified by Capt. Townsend as his assailant.

Virginia Cannery in Session.

Special to The Washington Herald. Roanoke, Va., Aug. 14.—The Virginia Cannery Association met here to-day to discuss plans for handling this year's tomato crop. L. E. Johnson, president of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, addressed the meeting, his subject being "Organization."

Rattlesnake Bite Fatal.

Special to The Washington Herald. Roanoke, Va., Aug. 14.—James Ackerman is dead at his home in Wythe County of a rattlesnake bite. He was attacked by the reptile several days ago while at work on his farm.

Etruria Again at Norfolk.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 14.—The Italian cruiser Etruria arrived to-day on her return from Baltimore, and took up anchorage in the inner harbor. She will remain in Norfolk for a week, and then leave for Philadelphia and New York.

FIGHT "DRY SUNDAY"

Atlantic City Liquor Men Will Defy Reformers.

USE OF FORCE THREATENED

Amusement Men Are United to Oppose the Efforts of the Lord's Day Alliance to Shut Down the Lid at Summer Resort—The Leaders Have Raised Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 14.—Atlantic City's "lid" is assuming grave proportions, and the attempt of the reformers to apply the lid to-morrow is sure to meet serious opposition.

It is believed there will be no cessation of Sunday amusements. The hotel keepers and amusement men met this afternoon and voted to defy the Lord's Day Alliance openly, and, if necessary, with force.

All of the big cafes will open publicly and the chief of police says that as the Sunday baseball games are a violation of the State law, and not the city ordinance, he will not interfere.

Eighteen of the fifty hotel men arrested early to-day have entered bail, among them being President of Council George Carmany and Councilman John Donnelly.

Would Fight at Polls.

The advocates of an "open town" declare that half of the ministers in the city are opposed to the crusade. Rev. Arthur Elwood issued a statement to-day declaring that the lid fight ought to have been deferred until fall and then taken to the polls.

The crusaders, in reply, declare they will stop all Sunday concerts to-morrow, as well as issue new warrants for saloon men who open. Twenty Secret Service men have been brought here by the crusaders to help them with the extra hotel men have raised a fund of \$50,000 to finance their fight.

Every gambling house in town is closed down tight and the leading gamblers are leaving the city. The effect of the crusade is being felt in a decrease in arrivals of guests who come down to spend Sunday here.

WILL EXCEED BILLION MARK.

Taxable Property in West Virginia Shows Increase of \$100,000,000.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Aug. 14.—An announcement is made from Charleston that the reports received at the office of the State tax commissioner indicate that the aggregate of taxable property will pass the billion dollar mark, an increase of \$100,000,000. The rate has not been lowered, and now many people are wondering what will be done with the extra money. A howl has gone up from all parts of the State over the extraordinary increase.

Postmasters Appointed.

Postmasters were appointed yesterday as follows: Virginia—Barrows, Store, Brunswick County; William H. Barrow, Sr., Marsh Market, Accomac County; Benjamin G. Johnson, West Virginia; Dunlop, Fayette County; Walter W. Payne, Lesage, Cabell County, Francis I. Lesage.

TUNNEL FIRE UNDER CONTROL

Nine Hundred of 1,300 Feet of Cut Is Saved.

Stenn, Forced Upon the Flames, Checks Their Progress—Railway Service Restored.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 14.—No further doubt exists now but that the fire in the new Southern Railway tunnel here has been smothered and that no further damage will be done the work. Fully 900 of the 1,300 feet of the construction has been saved. A number of immense boilers are sending steam into the 900 feet, and this will be kept up for several days to make certain that the fire is extinguished. This morning a six-inch pipe was driven into the top of the tunnel from the surface, seventy-five feet above the crown, and some heat was emitted, no smoke came out.

The street railway service was restored this evening, when one track was filled and leveled up. The other will be restored to-morrow.

Chief Engineer Wells, of the Southern Railway, and Contractor Elevier, in charge of the work, stated to-day that an estimate of the loss is impossible now.

BROKE HIP IN SLEEP.

Virginia Woman, a Somnambulist, Cannot Account for Accident.

Special to The Washington Herald. Luray, Va., Aug. 14.—Mrs. A. M. Selbert, wife of a Warren County farmer, met with a peculiar accident. Mrs. Selbert is a somnambulist. Mr. Selbert was awakened by the screams of his wife, whom he found lying in a corner of the room where they had been sleeping. Going to her aid, he found her with a hip broken and otherwise severely injured.

Mrs. Selbert was unable to give any account of what happened, and she was taken to the hospital, where she is now lying, and is expected to recover.

Prominent Odd Fellow Dead.

Elk Garden, W. Va., Aug. 14.—Joseph H. Finch is dead here, aged eighty-five. He was a native of England, coming to America in 1851 and locating at Mount Savage, Md. In 1858 he moved to Montgomery County, W. Va., and became affiliated with the Odd Fellows. He is said to have been the oldest Odd Fellow initiated in West Virginia.

Girl Killed by Train.

Special to The Washington Herald. Roanoke, Va., Aug. 14.—Hattie Ransack, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. James Ransack, of Cedar Bluff, Va., was struck by a Norfolk and Western passenger train to-day and killed. The train was passing over the bridge over the Potomac River, and the girl was struck by the engine.

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Thieves Get No Booty.

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 14.—The freight depot of the Western Maryland Railroad in Waynesboro was broken into by thieves, who ransacked the place, including the office, in search of money, but they did not find a cent. All the money had been removed in the evening. Packages were broken open and the money drawer torn off by the thieves in their vain search. Railroad detectives are now following clues that may lead to the arrest of several persons who are under suspicion of having broken into the depot.

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West Virginia Fair Dates.

Clarksburg, W. Va., Aug. 14.—This month marks the beginning of the fair season in West Virginia, races being held at all of them. The Middlebourne fair was held this week. The other dates are: Clarksburg (old track), August 20 to 25; Parkersburg, August 20 to 25; Pennsboro, August 27 to 30; State fair, Wheeling, September 6 to 10; Inwood, Berkeley County, September 14 to 17; Morgans Grove, Shepherdstown, September 17 to 19; Fairmont, September 21 to 27; Clarksburg, September 21 to 24; Morgantown, September 25 to 29.

FORMER MAYOR STRITE LOSES.

His Ticket Defeated in Republican Primaries at Hagerstown.

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 14.—There were contests in eight districts in Republican primaries in Washington County this afternoon, these contests being largely for local control. At Keedysville the ticket headed by Dr. W. M. Nibbler defeated the Grossnickle ticket by forty votes.

At Keedysville H. S. Bomberger, an aspirant for the nomination for court clerk, was defeated. The ticket headed by Deputy Court Clerk G. Harvey Sprecher and Dr. V. M. Elchard was successful at Tildenham.

In the Indian Springs district, where the liquor question was an issue, the result will not be known until late. In Hagerstown the only contest was in the Second City Tax Collector. C. E. Heard knocked out former Mayor Abraham C. Strite. The delegates chosen are to the county convention.

Carlinas, Maryland, and Virginia News

Political and Otherwise.

Keyser, W. Va.—Thomas Paschal Adams is dead at his home here, aged eighty-five years. He was the first man to advocate free schools in West Virginia, and he was the first to speak in what is now West Virginia at Bonfield schoolhouse in Preston County. He comes from the same family as John Adams, the second President, and John Quincy Adams, the sixth President of the United States.

Stiversville, W. Va.—Arrangements have been completed for four Marathon races to be held here on Labor Day. A track has been secured in the lower part of the city which will be a quarter of a mile long. The first race will be ten miles, and the principal prize will be a gold watch. The race is open to all. The second will be for boys under sixteen, and it will embrace twelve laps of the course. The third and fourth races will be for younger boys, and a number of prizes will be awarded.

Charlottesville, Va.—The Virginia Berkshire Association held its annual meeting Friday night at the Hotel Ball at the University of Virginia, where addresses were made by Dr. E. W. Magruder, of Richmond; Dr. Walter J. Quick, and Dr. D. M. Trice. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

President, Dr. D. M. Trice, of Charlottesville; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. F. F. Farnsworth, of Richmond; Directors, Dr. Lodge Ross, of Bedford City; E. F. Sommers, of Sommerset, and W. A. Taylor, of Winesap.

An invitation was unanimously extended to the American Berkshire Congress to hold its annual meeting of 1910 in Richmond, at the time of the State fair.

Spencer, N. C.—Under the auspices of Spencer Council, No. 74, Jr. O. U. A. M., a big educational rally and flag raising was held at Churchland Institute, Davidson County, yesterday at which several thousand people were present. An able address on the principles of the Junior Order was delivered by Z. P. Smith, of Raleigh, and Greensboro. In a fitting speech a Bible and flag were presented to the Institute by W. H. Burton, of Spencer, and an educational address was delivered by Dr. Charles L. Padgett, of Winston-Salem. A number of visitors were present from adjoining counties.

Durham, N. C.—An epidemic of pellagra resulted in the fifth death here this evening, that of Mrs. D. C. Mitchell, a native Georgian and the wife of an extensive lumber dealer.

Physicians are not able to assign any cause for the disease. There have been eight deaths from pellagra in this town and adjacent territory.

Winston-Salem, N. C.—As a result of a dispute between Lee Bennett and Jack Tillotson, farmers near King, Stokes County, regarding the location of the boundary line between the farm of Bennett and Tillotson, there was a shotgun battle, in which several friends of the two farmers participated, and, as a result, Bennett and Tillotson and three others are wounded, two seriously.

Asheville, N. C.—A telephone message from Hendersonville states that Zeb Aldridge, a policeman of that city, was shot from ambush about 10:30 o'clock last night as he stood in his front yard. The bullet took effect in Aldridge's breast, inflicting a serious wound. The bloodhounds of the Asheville police force were telephoned for. No clue to the assailant has been obtained.

Strasburg, Va.—The crop of apples in Shenandoah County is not more than 20 per cent of the normal yield. The demand for the fruit is far in excess of the supply. At one time there was every indication of a splendid yield.

Martinsburg, W. Va.—Scott Van Metre, a resident of Martinsburg, has received from William Gibbs, a bridge contractor of Washington, six bullets which Mr. Van Metre fired from a Colt's revolver while in the city of Washington, D. C., in the summer of 1902. Mr. Van Metre was a member of the Eleventh New York Cavalry during the civil war. The bullets had been imbedded in the tree for more than forty-seven years.

In the summer 1902 Mr. Van Metre's regiment, while en route South, was detailed for duty along the Potomac River at Seneca, and Mr. Van Metre was ordered for picket work. When relieved in the evening the pickets were ordered to discharge their revolvers, so the weapons might be loaded with fresh charges. Standing about ten paces from the great elm tree, Mr. Van Metre, who was a crack marksman, selected a knot in the trunk as a target and sent the six bullets into a space about an inch in diameter.

A few days ago the incident was recalled in the presence of Mr. Gibbs, and later, while on a trip to Seneca, the latter discovered the elm and dug from the decaying wood all six bullets. The bullets, mushroomed and eaten by age, yesterday were returned to the old soldier.

Westminster, Md.—Michael Hassett, of Manchester district, has a hound named Music, which has had a fast of thirty-seven days, and is still alive and recuperating. About six weeks ago Mr. Hassett and some friends were having a fox hunt at night. Music and the other dogs of Mr. Hassett's pack were in full cry. When the horn recalled the dogs Music was missing.

In the forest, where she was lost, is an old clearing and an abandoned cabin, which was once supplied with water from a well forty-two feet deep, and Music was in that well for thirty-seven days without food. It had been covered, but the covering had rotted away, and in crossing it she went down.

Clarence Thorne, of Melrose, found her. Happening in the clearing, curiosity led him to look down in the well, which was almost dry. Music made her presence known in faint dog language, and, procuring a ladder, Mr. Thorne went down into the well, and brought her to the surface. She was a living skeleton.

NEWS OF ALEXANDRIA

Murderers of Schultz Go to Richmond This Week.

SEEK TO DELAY EXECUTION

Policeman Fined for Alleged Assault on Prisoner—Members of Acca Temple, Mystic Shrine, Return from Luray—Few Changes in the List of Public School Teachers.

F. Clinton Knight, 136 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., is authorized agent and carrier for The Washington Herald. The Herald will be delivered daily and Sunday to any address in Alexandria for 30 cents a month.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU.

Alexandria, Va., Aug. 14.—A request that a guard be sent here to convey Calvin Johnson, Richard Pines, and Eugene Dorsey, negroes convicted of the murder of Walter F. Schultz, to the State penitentiary was to-day sent to the superintendent of that institution. It is expected several guards will come here next week to take the men to Richmond, where they will be confined in the death chamber at the jail there.

In the meantime, application will be made to the State Court of Appeals for a new trial in the case of Johnson. It will hardly be reached by the higher court by the time set for his execution, September 2 next, and for this reason Johnson's execution may necessarily be delayed.

Should this be done, the execution of the two others will also be held over, because application to the State Court of Appeals for a new trial will also make application to the higher court for a new trial.

The dates set for the executions are as follows: Johnson, September 3; Pines, September 10; Dorsey, September 17. The case of Henry Smith, the negro who turned State's evidence, and on whose testimony the conviction of the three negroes was obtained, is a prisoner in the jail at the Alexandria County Jail. He will be given a hearing at the September term of court.

A negro named Pompey Wilkinson was responsible for Policeman Frank Sampson being fined \$5 the morning before Mayor Paft. The negro preferred a charge of assault. He alleges that Monday last, while asleep in a doorway, he was assaulted by the policeman with a baton. Policeman Sampson, however, claims Wilkinson resisted arrest. He has a warrant for his arrest on that charge, and the negro will be given a hearing in the police court. The negro will be represented by Attorney H. Noel Garner.

Mayor Paft, in imposing the fine this morning, said that, during to-day, he would make the matter as light as possible, and not suspend him.

Many of the ministers of this city are now visiting or away on their vacations, and as a result a number of out-of-town ministers will fill the pulpits to-morrow. They are as follows: Rev. Dr. S. A. Walden, at Christ Episcopal Church; Rev. L. R. Combs, at St. Paul's Episcopal; Rev. Mr. Halliday, at the Second Presbyterian; Rev. J. W. R. Sumwalt, at Trinity M. E. Church; Rev. M. E. Parish, at the First Baptist. Services at the Free Methodist Church will be conducted by Miss Kate Booth. At the other churches the resident clergy will conduct the services.

The work of issuing permits to children to attend the public schools of this city will be begun September 6 next. The clerk of the board has been notified. The board has also arranged salaries for the teachers for the coming school session. There is, however, but few changes.

The police have not yet been able to find any trace of H. Tucker, a negro, wanted for the murder of Joseph Davis, another negro, which occurred Thursday night last. The police are of the opinion he has probably gone to South Carolina.

Several members of Acca Temple, Mystic Shrine, to-day went to Luray, Va., to take part in the Masonic pilgrimage at that place.

Ten dogs taken up by the official dog catcher within the last forty-eight hours were shot to death at the city pound this morning.

Thomas Chaucery returned to-day from Reading, Pa., where he was a delegate to the supreme lodge of the Order of Owls.

WILL CELEBRATE THURSDAY.

Dedication of Potomac Bridge to Be Made Impressive.

Williamsport, Md., Aug. 14.—At a meeting of citizens and the directors of the Washington and Berkeley Bridge Company, held yesterday, arrangements were made for a big celebration to be held in the town next Thursday, the date set for the dedication of the new bridge over the Potomac River. A committee, composed of Dr. W. S. Richardson, Edward W. Byron, George W. McCordell, G. W. Hurd, and Dr. J. C. Weidner, was appointed to arrange the programme, which will include a parade, representing the industries of the town, civic organizations, etc.

Gov. Crothers, of Maryland, and Gov. Glascock, of West Virginia, have been invited to be present and deliver addresses. Speeches will also be made by well-known orators of Hagerstown, including Col. Buchanan Schley, Alexander Neill, Sr., and others. The programme will embrace a series of athletic and aquatic sports, and conclude with a big display of fireworks from the bridge in the evening. Three bands will furnish music for the occasion.

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